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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Application Number	09/840,400
Filing Date	4/23/2001
First Named Inventor	Randal Lee BERTRAM
Art Unit	2141
Examiner Name	Kang, Paul H.
Attorney Docket Number	RAL920000115US1/1971P

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114

a. Previously submitted

i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on June 8, 2005.
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

iii. Other _____

b. Enclosed

i. Amendment/Reply

iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iv. Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)

b. Other _____

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the RCE fee to Acct. No. 50-0563 (IBM Corporation)

RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) - \$790.00

b. Check in the amount of \$ 120.00 is enclosed for payment of one (1) month extension of time

Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) - \$120.00

c. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0563 (IBM Corporation)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT

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